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Title: **IMAGE PICKUP APPARATUS, AND IMAGE PICKUP METHOD AND CONTROL METHOD OF THE IMAGE PICKUP APPARATUS**



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**37 CFR 1.97(c)**

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☐ the statement specified in 37 CFR 1.97(e);

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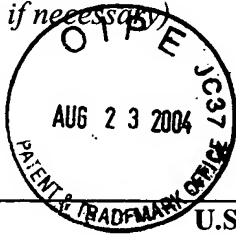
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|  | 1.  | 2002-170100     | 6/14/2002 | Japan   |       |          |             |    |
|  | 2.  | 2002-286415     | 10/3/2002 | Japan   |       |          |             |    |
|  | 3.  | 2000-241131     | 9/8/2000  | Japan   |       |          |             |    |
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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the following references, which are also listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, be made of record in the above-identified case.

1. Japanese Patent Application KOKAI Publication No.: 2002-170100, dated June 14, 2002 together with an English language abstract;
2. Japanese Patent Application KOKAI No.: 2002-286415, dated October 3, 2002 together with an English language abstract; and
3. Japanese Application Publication No.: 2000-241131, dated September 8, 2000 together with an English language abstract and a concise explanation of relevance.

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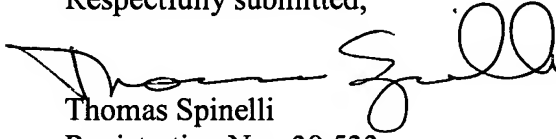
  
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Applicants are submitting copies of the above-cited references. The relevance of references 1 and 2 have been cited in the specification.

Inasmuch as this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted in accordance with the schedule set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), no statement or fee is required.



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